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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS KEESLER TO ARTS COUNCIL

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Lenoir C. Keesler Jr.** of Charlotte to the North Carolina Arts Council.

Keesler is president and CEO of the Arts and Science Council in Charlotte. He is vice-chair of the United Arts Fund Council of Americans for the Arts, president of Greater Charlotte Cultural Trust, and board member of the Charlotte Center City Partners. Keesler received his Bachelor's degree in economics from Duke University and his Master's degree in business administration from Wake Forest University.

The council advises the secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources on the study, collection and maintenance of arts information and provides assistance to local organizations and communities. The council also advises on the exchange of information and promotion of programs between public and private organizations, identifies research needs in art areas and encourages such research. There are 25 members on the council, each serving a three-year term. The governor appoints all members.

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